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Heroes • Judges 19-21 • Message 10

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Restoration-ish — Judges 21

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CONCLUSION

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TAKE IT HOME

GOD'S IDEA OF A KING • KNOWS, MODELS, TEACHES, ENFORCES RIGHTEOUSNESS • JEREMIAH 23:5-6 THINK OF ALL THE BAD DECISIONS MADE IN 2020, AND THEY ALL MADE SENSE AT THE TIME!

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